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For several years I had been troubled with general nervousness and pain in the region of my heart. My greatest affliction was sleeplessness; it was almost impossible at any time to obtain rest and sleep. Having seen Dr. Miles' remedies advertised, I began using Nervine. After taking a small quantity the benefit received was so great that I was positively alarmed, thinking the remedy contained opiates which would finally be injurious to me, but on being assured by the druggist that it was perfectly harmless, I continued it together with the Heart Cure. Today I can conscientiously say that Dr. Miles' Heart Cure has done more for me than anything I have ever taken. I had been treated by eminent physicians in New York and San Francisco without benefit. I owe my present good health to the judicious use of these most valuable remedies, and heartily recommend them to all afflicted as I was.—Capt. A. P. Lord, Hampton, Me.

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MAY HIRE OVERMYER.

Le Roy Preparing to Kick Out of Paying Railroad Bonds.

LE ROY, April 24.—An effort is being quietly made by the citizens of Le Roy to get rid of about \$30,000 of the railroad indebtedness of that town by establishing the claim that the bonds were illegally issued. J. R. Ahlfeld has been at work upon the project a little and it is thought that David Overmyer will be employed in the case if sufficient warrant for prosecuting it is found. The journal shows that the bonds voted for the V. V. L. & W. road were issued in 1888 at a meeting when but two of the county commissioners were present.

Upon the proposition to issue them Della Miller voted aye and Robinson no, making a tie. After consultation with the county attorney Mr. Miller and County Clerk Cheney then signed the bonds and they went upon the market or into the hands of the holders in that shape. This point is mainly relied upon to establish their illegality.

IN FAVOR OF DEBS.

U. S. Supreme Court Stands in His Favor It is Said.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., April 24.—President Debs of the A. R. U., speaking of the contempt case against him says he does not believe he or his fellow directors will ever spend another day in jail. He is confident the United States supreme court will reverse the decision of the lower court made by Judge Woods.

Private information had been received here from Washington to the effect that the court will decide against the contempt decision. It is understood that the court stands either six to two or five to three in favor of Debs.

The decision was expected Monday, but certainly will be handed down next Monday, which is the last decision day before the summer adjournment.

Beggs' German Salve.

The household remedy. Every family should keep it for cuts, burns, bruises, and inflammation of all kinds. W. R. Kennedy keeps a full supply.

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Everybody who tries CLIMAX PLUG says it's the best. For sale everywhere.

NEWS OF KANSAS.

Kansas-Nebraska Joint Debate Takes Place May 3.

Testimony Taken in the Prather Trial at Salina.

OTHER STATE NEWS.

An El Dorado Man Carries a Snake Out of Church.

LAWRENCE, April 24.—The Kansas-Nebraska joint debate will be held in the chapel of University hall on the evening of Friday, May 3. There will be three representatives from each of the contesting colleges and each speaker is to have fifteen minutes, while each side is to have ten minutes for rebuttal, the closing speakers to be chosen by the sides they represent.

The question is to be, "Resolved, That less weight should be given to precedent in judicial decisions."

The judges will be President Wm. F. Slocum, of Colorado college, Colorado Springs; President John W. Cook, of Illinois State Normal University, Normal, Illinois; and Principal John T. Buchanan, of Kansas City, Missouri.

The sides and order of the speakers will be as follows: Affirmative, Nebraska, E. B. Sherman, A. J. Weaver, E. McNeal; rebuttal, A. J. Weaver. Negative, Kansas, T. J. Madden, J. E. Little, F. M. Brady; rebuttal, T. J. Madden.

REV. MR. PRATHER'S CASE.

Several Witnesses Testify to His Conduct on the Train.

SALINA, April 24.—The first witness called to the stand by the prosecution in the case of Rev. Mr. Prather for indecent conduct was Mrs. Griffin of Percy, Ill., about sixty miles from St. Louis. She testified to being insulted on the 3rd of last December, as the charge alleged, while between Salina and New Cambria, en route for Salt Lake City to visit friends.

She told a straight story and bore up well under cross examination.

Wood, the news agent, was next put on the stand, testifying as to the statement made to him by Mrs. Griffin shortly after the alleged insult.

The prosecution then called the colored porter, B. H. Jackson, to the stand, who testified as an eye witness to the criminal conduct of the defendant on January 20th, between Brookville and Salina, being instructed by Conductor Follens to watch the preacher.

Following this came the testimony of the prosecuting witness, Conductor Follens. He related the course he had taken to detect the defendant, by means of his porter, and also an after conversation he had with the defendant upon the subject in the smoking car. During his testimony Mr. Prather became very much excited, and at one time broke out under his breath with the repeated statement, "It's a lie, it's a lie."

HELD THE SNAKE IN HIS HAND.

An El Dorado Man Who Found a Snake in His Seat at Church.

EL DORADO, April 24.—Charles Harvey performed an act of coolness at the Christian church of an unusual kind. During the long prayer of the divine the congregation stood up. Harvey arose and looking behind him on the seat he discovered a live snake.

He reached down and caught his snake by the neck with his hand. He held the biting end of the snake steady, but let the tail end wag at will and followed the preacher through the prayer to the end. When the prayer was finished he carelessly threw his handkerchief over his hand containing the snake and with the utmost nonchalance walked down the aisle and out into the yard, where he killed it.

TO TAKE PASTEUR TREATMENT.

A McPherson Boy Bitten By a Mad Dog Sent to New York.

McPHERSON, April 24.—John Sellberg and little son were taken to Kansas City by Dr. Engberg recently for examination for hydrophobia. The father was found not to be inoculated but the son was thought to be in danger and sent to New York City for treatment by the Pasteur method.

They were both bitten a short time ago by a neighbor's dog, but Mr. Sellberg's coat sleeves prevented the fangs entering the flesh. Two dogs which were bitten at the same time afterwards died which aroused the suspicion that led to the examination.

MEDICAL JOURNAL SOLD.

H. V. Rice Quits the Western Medical Journal at Fort Scott.

FORT SCOTT, April 24.—The Western Medical Journal, a monthly magazine published in the interest of the medical profession and the official organ of the southwestern Kansas and the Bourbon county medical societies, was purchased yesterday from H. V. Rice who has published it successfully for several years, by Dr. J. B. Carver and R. R. Baldwin.

Dr. Carver will continue as editor, the position he has held for some time and Mr. Baldwin will look out for the business interests of the firm.

WOMEN IN A DUST STORM.

They Got Out to Vote for a School Election at Leroy.

LEROY, Kan., April 24.—To the good ladies of Leroy is due the principal credit for the success of the school house proposition. A terrible wind was blowing, carrying with it clouds of dust and sand. Yet the friends of the school worked without intermission until the polls closed. The census showed 512 legal voters of both sexes. The total votes cast were 294. Of these 276 were for and 18 against the bonds. The legal majority being 256, the result shows a net legal majority of 20.

MAD WITH HYDROPHOBIA.

A Valuable Horse Tears Its Own Flesh, Savagely.

WESTPHALIA, April 24.—A very big fine mare, the property of W. H. Hagerberg, jumped out of the lot a few days ago and came tearing down the street and back again, biting herself on the front leg and side repeatedly. It was soon known that she was mad from hydrophobia. Men and boys followed her. Dr. Kirkpatrick put all out of danger by killing her with a rifle.

Wolves in Leavenworth.

LEAVENWORTH, April 24.—Yesterday a farmer came into the county clerk's office with ten live wolf puppies. They were all killed in the presence of a county officer and properly disposed of. For each scalp the farmer receives \$3. Since the wolf-scap season commenced three months ago there have been presented to the county clerk. The season lasts during the months of April and May.

Expects High Water.

ATCHISON, April 24.—Frank Davis, of the Missouri river commission's office in Atchison, says he believes there will be unusually high water the latter part of May or during June. Reports have been received that there is a great deal of snow in the Rocky mountains. When the "June rise" comes he believes that it will be hard work to keep the river from taking away the protection already put in by the government and bridge company.

May Go to Mexican National.

ATCHISON, April 24.—W. E. Brooks, chief dispatcher of the Missouri Pacific at Atchison, has been offered the position of chief dispatcher of the Mexican National road, with headquarters at the City of Mexico. He will leave for that place on Saturday, having been tendered a thirty days' leave of absence by the Missouri Pacific. Frank Simms will succeed him in Atchison.

Jury in Street Case Secured.

FR. SCOTT, April 24.—A jury was secured in the Street murder case yesterday, but not until the regular and additional panels and special venire had been exhausted and several jurors selected from the crowded courtroom. The state exhausted its six peremptories and the defense ten of the twelve allowed by law before the jury was secured.

La Grippe Makes Her Crazy.

EUREKA, April 24.—Miss Mary M. Yeager, aged 20 years, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Yeager, living near here, has gone insane. Excessive study and a severe attack of the la grippe are attributed as the cause of her derangement. She is a graduate of the Wichita business college.

Burned in a Granary.

FLORENCE, April 24.—Yesterday afternoon Frank Wright, son of William Wright, living ten miles northeast of this place, was burned to death in a granary, one end of which was used as a smoke house and from which the fire caught.

A Child Completely Disappears.

ARKANSAS CITY, April 24.—The 3-year-old son, Arthur McKay Matthews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Matthews, is missing. He has completely disappeared and the prevailing opinion is that he has fallen into the canal and drowned.

WOMEN ARE AFTER IT.

Another Application for a Place on the Sanitary Force.

Mrs. Dr. Mary Stewart is the latest applicant for a position on the city sanitary force. She called upon Mayor Fellows this morning to inquire about the duties and was told to make a written application and he would consider it. The city clerk furnished Dr. Stewart with a copy of the ordinance governing the sanitary force.

Mrs. Dr. Stewart is a practicing physician, and there is no doubt but that she is capable of filling the position if she is appointed.

Mayor Fellows does not care to talk about the matter, but his actions appear to indicate that he would not be averse to putting a woman on the sanitary force if she would serve.

There is no reason why a woman should not be appointed on the force, and there are many women in Topeka who would make good officers. We might then expect to see a revolution in the sanitary condition of the city.

Miss Jane Addams of Hull house, Chicago, applied for the contract of doing the scavenger work for a sanitary district in that city. She had some excellent plans and was backed by the best men in Chicago, but political patronage prevented Miss Addams from getting the contract.

TO ARREST WITNESSES.

A Report That Some of Those in the Rogers Case Committed Perjury.

The story gained currency today that some of the witnesses who have testified for the prosecution before the Rogers investigation committee are to be arrested for perjury.

Sensor Rogers and his attorneys deny any knowledge of any such procedure. The Rogers committee was in session a few hours this morning, and several employees of the Chesterfield were examined and they all agreed that they had never seen Senator Rogers drunk.

At 11 o'clock the committee adjourned until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

FIRE AT THE COURT HOUSE

An Awful Catcher on Fire From Soot From the Dutton House.

The awnings used to shade the windows to the office of the clerk of the district court at the court house caught fire this morning from soot from one of the Dutton house chimneys. Fred Waters first saw the fire and the whole awning was in flames. Deputy Clerk "Shell" Curtis ran for a bucket of water and a dipper and he and the fireman put out the blaze without sending an alarm for the fire department.

TOM WATSON RESUMES.

He Takes Up the Practice of Law, Which He Had Dropped.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 24.—Thomas E. Watson, ex-congressman from the Tenth Georgia district, has returned to the practice of law. When he entered politics his shingle was taken down. Black defeated Watson at the last election, but resigned so that a new election could be held.

Watson has been nominated to make the race again by the Populists. His return to the law at this time causes considerable talk in political circles.

WHY KATE FIELD QUIT.

A Severe Attack of the Grip Unfits Her for Editorial Work.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—The reason given for the suspension of Kate Field's Washington is the continued poor health of Miss Field. She suffered from a severe attack of the grip which left her entirely unfitted for hard editorial work, and she will spend the summer abroad. If her health sufficiently improves publication will be resumed.

Ingrain paper, all shades, at cost for two weeks at Beckstrom's, 518 Jackson street.

NUDE AND ANTI NUDE.

N. Y. Legislature Discusses the Anti-Nudity Bill.

It is Designed to Protect Public Morals.

SOME DON'T LIKE IT.

Don't Think Art Views of Female Forms so Bad.

Ballets Were Exempted by an Amendment.

ALBANY, April 24.—What was designed to be a very tame, business like affair in the assembly last night, started in a contrary manner by the launching of the Ainsworth anti-nudity bill, and a consequent discussion. No sooner had the clerk announced the bill than there was an amendment offered by Mr. Friday exempting from the bill's provisions all entertainments where historical costuming, ballets or operatic performances were concerned.

Mr. Ainsworth said that he hoped that no such amendments would prevail. The bill was designed to protect the morals of the community and hinder any display that was in any way indecent. No man would stand up and justify such exhibitions as have caused the introduction of the bill.

The bill was demanded by every decent citizen in the state, and no man who was a lover of the land and the people would oppose it or amend it.

Mr. Foley moved to strike out the enacting clause and said that the bill was entirely too drastic.

Dr. Bush hoped no such motion would prevail. For the protection of the home and everything in the home that was pure and decent the bill should pass.

Mr. Ainsworth said: "Why, Mr. Speaker, these destroyers of morals and all that is decent have even sent their pernicious literature into the female academies and schools of the land. There is nothing in the bill that will stop decent exhibitions and no theatrical manager has protested against it."

Mr. Foley—"I don't believe that the art views of the female form are so very detrimental to anybody's morals. It is rather the acting and conversation in indecent lines."

Mr. Armstrong—"I am in favor of the principle of the bill, but I am also for the amendment for I believe the lines should be drawn in the bill and not left so ambiguous that art sales, exhibitions, etc., shall be prohibited."

Mr. Ainsworth—"I contend that there are great differences in productions and nobody shall say that a representation of the Greek slave or Cleopatra is indecent, but that a fully clothed figure doing a Cairo dance is."

Mr. Stanchfield contended that the law was so broad that any production denounced by a crowd could be adjudged indecent and he believed that the line should be drawn.

Mr. Ainsworth—"This bill is not destined to say how people shall be clothed, but to say that they shall not be unclothed."

Mr. Friday's amendment was adopted by a decisive vote, and the bill was amended and ordered printed for passage.

IN A HOPELESS Muddle.

While the Dam Companies "Scrap" Topeka Gets No Dam.

The mayor has called a special meeting of the council for tonight to consider the advisability of reconsidering the contract for power made by the upper dam company.

By the terms of the contract adopted at the last meeting of the council the city is to take 200 horse power, in consideration of which the city is to pay the dam company \$40 per horse power, or \$24,000 annually.

Mayor Fellows says he has found that the city is not able to pay for so much power and that the city could not use more than 300 considering that the capacity of the city electric light plant is to be increased sufficiently to supply the entire city with lights. He thinks the amount of power to be contracted for should be reduced to 400 and that the new company would accept the contract with that reduction.

The managers of the new company say that if the action of the council is reconsidered and the amount of power to be taken by the city is reduced, they will withdraw all plans for building a dam with horse power.

Mr. Bartholomew of the Oakland dam company, says that work will commence on the lower dam soon, and if that is the case, the city would not be bound by the contract with the upper company, and it would not be necessary to reconsider it.

Mr. Fitzgerald of the upper company says that his company will present the \$200,000 bond required at the next regular meeting of the council and accept the contract and ordinance if it is not changed.

There is a story in circulation to the effect that the power users are refusing to contract for power with upper company through the influence of the lower company but Judge Day denies all knowledge of anything of the kind and says that they have already made many contracts for power and have the best assurances from others who use power.

The friends of the upper dam charge that the movement to reconsider the contract is for the purpose of defeating the upper company, but Mayor Fellows says that he is working only for the city's good.

Robert Bell is Safe.

A real funny man at the pension office is responsible for the statement in the morning paper that Robert Bell, one of the clerks, had "mysteriously disappeared," and that considerable uneasiness was felt by his friends. Mr. Bell went to Kansas City Monday and returned on the plug yesterday afternoon, and is naturally greatly annoyed over the statement.

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MRS. PARNELL DYING.

She is Growing Rapidly Worse and Can't Live Long.

BORDENTOWN, N. J., April 24.—It now seems but a question of but few hours until Mrs. Della Stewart Parnell passes away. Since she was attacked by the first convulsion yesterday she has grown rapidly worse and is growing weaker every minute. Dr. Shipps, the attending physician, has given up all hope of saving the aged woman's life, and as she is too weak to undergo an operation all that can be done is to wait for the approaching end.

Dr. Shipps believes that if his patient was strong enough to stand an operation that the clot of blood at the base of the brain which in his opinion is the cause of the convulsions, could be successfully removed and while it might not result in her ultimate recovery life could be prolonged for some time.

She is at her bedside, but she does not seem to recognize any one. She has not spoken half a dozen words intelligibly since the night of the assault.

LOOKS BAD FOR NEVELS.

The State Claims to Have Evidence That Cannot Fail to Convict.

Sheriff Burdge returned this forenoon from the southern part of the state where he has been several days subpoenaing witnesses and getting evidence in the case of Frank Nevels, charged with the murder of Mrs. A. D. Matson.

He found nearly all of the witnesses he went after. He learned at Winfield that Nevels used to live there under the name of Rufus. The officers have in their possession a chain of circumstantial evidence, most of which has never been published for obvious reasons, which they claim will beyond all doubt send Nevels to the penitentiary, if not for the murder, for being the chief conspirator of the plot of which Mrs. Matson was the victim.

COULDN'T PROVE A TRUST.

In the Duerber Watch Company's Suit the Jury Disagrees.

NEW YORK, April 24.—The jury in the suit of the Duerber Watch Case company vs. the American Watch company which is composed of the Waltham, Elgin, Bay State, Brooklyn, Seth Thomas and several other watch case manufacturers today announced in the circuit court part 1, before Justice McCallan, that it was unable to agree. The jury was 9 to 8 in favor of the defendant, it is said. The suit is for \$500,000 damages and was brought on the grounds of conspiracy. The Duerber company claimed that the American Watch company was a trust and that it boycotted every firm that bought from the Duerber company.

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TO SAVE THEIR LAKE.

The McPherson Gun Club Have Difficulty Similar to Lakeview Club.

McPHERSON, April 24.—Some of the farmers residing around Lake Farland took a notion a week ago that they wanted to drain one of the lakes into the other. But an injunction in the hands of Deputy Sheriff Sites changed their minds.

The injunction was issued by the McPherson Gun club, which held one of the lakes as a shooting preserve.

Largest assortment wall paper in the city at Beckstrom's, 518 Jackson.

TODAY'S MARKET REPORT.

Furnished by the Associated Press to the State Journal.

CHICAGO, April 24.—Wheat started with a show of strength on the firm cables today but its 1/2c advance was met with a deluge of selling orders and sent prices down over 1c within the first hour's trading. At the decline there was rather free buying causing a reaction from the low figures. May started 1/2c higher at 60 1/2 to 59 1/2 and reacted to 59 1/2.

Corn started steady but sold off with wheat. May opened unchanged at 47 1/2, sold from 47 1/2 to 46 1/2 and reacted to 46 1/2.

Oats followed wheat and corn. May opened unchanged at 28 1/2 and sold to 28 1/2.

Provisions were lower on liberal hog receipts and a weak market at the yards. May pork opened 10c lower at \$12.25. May lard sold at \$8.75 and ribs at \$6.25.

Hogs—Estimated receipts today, 28,000; official yesterday, 16,327; shipment, 8,375; left over, 3,000. Trade rather slower; prices 1/2c lower than yesterday's average; light \$14.45 to \$14.80; mixed \$14.45 to \$14.80; heavy, \$14.40 to \$15.00; rough, \$14.40 to \$14.80.

CATTLE—Estimated receipts today, 10,000; official yesterday, 4,032; shipments, 2,015. Market slow and barely steady.

SHEEP—Estimated receipts today, 15,000. Official receipts yesterday, 12,743; shipments, 760. Market weak and 5/8 to 10c lower, excepting best lambs.

Estimated receipts of hogs tomorrow, 25,000.

CHICAGO MARKET LETTER.

Furnished by the Topeka Grain and Stock Exchange, Room 5, Columbian Bldg., Topeka, Kas.

There has been a better demand from millers and exporters, and a considerable business is reported to have been done here today, but the market responds feebly, if at all, to the improvement.

A 75,000 bushel lot was sold out of a Peoria warehouse to a St. Louis party at 60c, a shade better than May price in Chicago at the time of the sale, millers here take a considerable quantity and it is said 40,000 has been worked for export.

Outside markets have been relatively stronger than Chicago, but the light exports, liberal primary receipts, easier cables, etc., by pyramid builders, have overshadowed all other influences. The

dry weather is hurting wheat in some of the states, and unless the drouth is relieved by general rains soon, it's likely to effect the market.

Corn and Oats—Easier for lack of speculative demand. The market was tired out by the excitement on Monday and is taking a rest.

Provisions—Nothing but a local scalping trade. Prices somewhat lower, in sympathy with other markets.

		Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—	April	59 1/2	59 3/4	59 1/2	59 1/2
	May	60 1/2	60 3/4	59 1/2	59 1/2
	July	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/4	61 1/4
	Sept.	61 1/2	62	61 1/2	62
Corn —	April	46 1/2	47	46 1/2	46 1/2
	May	47 1/2	47 1/2	46 3/4	47 1/2
	July	47 1/2	47 3/4	47 1/4	47 3/4
Oats —	April	28 1/2	28 3/4	28 1/2	28 1/2
	May	28 1/2	28 3/4	28 1/2	28 1/2
	July	28 1/2	28 3/4	28 1/2	28 1/2
Pork —	May	12 1/2	12 3/4	12 1/2	12 1/2
	July	12 5/2	12 5/2	12 4/7	12 4/7
Lard —	May	6.90	6.90	6.87	6.87
	July	7.02	7.02	7.00	7.00
Ribs —	May	6.25	6.25	6.21	6.21